

## PRISONER IS INDIFFERENT

Much Speculation Has Been Heard About Queenan Case

### NO MANDATE RECEIVED

Supreme Court Passes on the Case but It Isn't Reported

Oklahoma City, O. T., Dec. 24.—For some time past there has been considerable speculation regarding the status of the case of Thomas Queenan, convicted of murder and sentenced to hang, in the district court of the Third Oklahoma district, which verdict has been sustained by the supreme court of the territory and the supreme court of the United States, says the Oklahoman.

Queenan was indicted on February 12, 1901. He was arraigned February 23, 1901. Entered a plea of not guilty February 24, 1901. Was tried between March 5 and 16, 1901. Motion for a new trial was filed and overruled February 15, 1901.

On February 20, 1901, was sentenced to hang and April 11, 1901, was fixed as the date of execution. The death warrant was issued March 26, 1901.

The certificate of the clerk of the supreme court, showing that the appeal was filed with the supreme court, was sent to the district court and filed April 15, 1901.

The next action in the Queenan case was a hearing before the supreme court, which was affirmation of the judgment of the district court.

An appeal was taken to the supreme court of the United States and this court of last resort affirmed the decision of the lower courts, but up to the last sitting of the supreme court of the territory no mandate had been received from the supreme court of the United States. At the last session, here referred to, the Queenan case was called up to see if something could not be done relative to it, and it was ascertained that a mandate had not been received from the court at Washington. This was in June last. And so the matter stands today. The district court has never received any mandate from the supreme court of the United States, or from the supreme court of the territory, and it is well understood that no action can be taken by the lower court until the mandate has been received. Two and one-half years have elapsed since the Queenan case reached the supreme court of Oklahoma territory.

One of the marvelous features of the case is the fact that, at no time since his arrest on the charge of murdering his wife, has the prisoner manifested the slightest interest in the final outcome of his case. When the death sentence was pronounced, Queenan manifested the utmost indifference.

He has been a model of good conduct during the time he has been confined in the county jail, and at one time when other prisoners broke out of the jail he had an excellent opportunity to escape, but declined to do so.

He has many friends and his family is highly respected in the community, and for these reasons many persons have hoped for his ultimate discharge, some of them believing the crime to have been committed during a period of temporary aberration of mind.

Others have believed his crime to be absolutely unjustifiable and have thought the law should take its course and that the prisoner should give up his life in expiation of his crime.

Queenan has ever been indifferent and still maintains that indifference. The cause of that indifference is unknown. He may have the assurance that he will never pay the penalty of his crime, but this can hardly be. None who know him believe that he will attempt his own life. There is much of mystery in the case, not the least of which is the law's delay.

### ENDORSE STATEHOOD BILL

Republicans of Woods County in Full Accord With McGuire's Efforts.

Alva, O. T., Dec. 24.—The Republican county central committee of Woods county met at the city of Ingalls Tuesday and unanimously adopted a resolution endorsing McGuire's statehood bill from top to bottom and pledging Mr. McGuire every possible support in his effort for statehood.

A. H. Gelsels, who went to Washington on the statehood committee, was present and was furnished with a copy of the resolution of Woods county Republicans to aid him in his work.

There were present at the meeting C. E. McDank, C. E. Green, J. T. Griffith, John Easterday, J. L. Rackley, J. H. Mahoney, Henry Cook, Gus Nodwinger, W. B. Ferris, Tom Burnett, J. W. Bishop, C. P. Doem, A. H. Gelsels, W. T. Barrett and A. J. Ross.

### THAT WILDMAN AFFAIR

Officials Assert That the Incident Was Perfectly Legal.

Hobart, O. T., Dec. 24.—The News-Republican contains the following: Last week Governor Ferguson was appealed to by miners living near Wildman for protection, advising him that a conflict was raging between the miners and homesteaders of that vicinity, and that wholesale bloodshed was momentarily expected.

The governor wrote to the sheriff of this county calling his attention to the state of affairs at Wildman, also giving the miners' petition to the press. The sheriff, in answer to the governor's letter, says: "Governor T. B. Ferguson, Guthrie, O. T. Dear Sir: I am this day in receipt of your letter of the 19th, asking for the facts regarding a letter to you and signed by four members of a Williams family and one Gilliland at Wildman, in this county, which you caused to be published, in which it is charged in substance that homesteaders are invading the rights of miners, attacking and shooting at them, and that recently a mob of homesteaders tore down and removed buildings at Wildman, and at that time shots were fired by homesteaders at two of the Williams signers of the letter, and mob law prevailed to such a extent that the post-office was forced to be closed. The letter also makes violent attacks upon Captain C. A. Morris of this county, the registrar and receiver of the United States land

office at Lawton and the officials of this county.

"I have to state in reply to your letter that I find upon careful investigation there is no foundation in fact for the statements set forth in the Wildman letter.

"The facts are these: Captain C. A. Morris, a highly respected citizen, has a valuable homestead near Wildman, a small town made up to some extent of a turbulent element, with which the peace officers of the county have had considerable trouble. Some of these people, who are known as miners, without the consent of Captain Morris, erected buildings on his homestead. Captain Morris instituted forcible entry and detainer proceedings against them in the courts, obtained a judgment and processes for restitution were issued and placed in the hands of an officer to execute. Resistance to these processes was made to such an extent that the officer had to call a posse to his assistance to execute the writs and remove the buildings. This he did by calling in farmers and good citizens generally living in the vicinity, who acted under his direction in removing the buildings, some of which had to be torn down. One of these buildings torn down was located near the postoffice, which was in charge of an assistant postmaster who, seemingly for effect and without real cause, closed the office, which remained closed only a short time and was reopened as the postmaster arrived.

"There was no shooting; there was no mob, and no violence or attempt on the part of the officer or his posse. They simply executed the processes of the court in an orderly and effective manner. "The statements made in the letter referred to and in dispatches and reports recently sent out and published reflecting upon the character and claims of officials of this county are grossly false and without foundation in fact. Very respectfully,

"D. N. MORRISON, Sheriff.

"By E. C. Noble, Undersheriff."

### IN PITIFUL CONDITION

Lost His Team and Became Demented by Exposure.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—W. J. Lockwood, a farmer whose home is near Cloverdale, and who has a wife and two children, was found in the Osage county poor place last Saturday in a pitiful condition.

He was seen by Mr. Bud Wells Friday evening and acted very strangely. Saturday morning early he was seen in Frank DeWitt's yard picking up sticks and little rocks. They at once surmised the unfortunate fellow's condition and asked him to come in and eat breakfast. He readily consented, as he said he was cold and hungry. After breakfast, after breakfast Mr. DeWitt went to converse with one of his neighbors about the man, and when he returned he found him wandering about in a creek nearby. He was immediately brought here and placed in the hands of the officers. He told them he had left a team somewhere on Salt creek. He said his fire at his camp had gotten away from him and that he had followed it up to put it out before it could cause any serious trouble, and could not find his team on his return. The officers succeeded in finding the team, which was still hitched to the wagon. Nearby, where the man had his camp fire, was a kettle full of pebbles and sticks covered with a coat of grease. No stable could be found excepting a sack of flour. He was kept at Kaw City until Sunday morning when Frank Randall took him to Newkirk and turned him over to the sheriff.

### FOR ORIGINAL PLAN

Dawes Commission Will Make No Change for the Delawares.

Muskogee, I. T., Dec. 24.—The Dawes commission heard yesterday the arguments of the Delaware attorneys, ex-Senator James K. Jones and Richard Adams of Washington, relative to the manner of the segregation of the Delaware lands. Under the recent decision of the commission the segregation was to be made to include the group of improved Delaware holdings in the northern part of the Cherokee nation and the remainder, sufficient to make the requisite 157,000 acres, is to be taken from the public domain. This the Delaware attorneys wanted changed so that Delaware could have selections of land from the public domain, or the nation where they claimed improvements.

The attorneys for the Cherokees opposed this on the grounds that such action would allow Delaware to hold excessive lands under the improvement claim. The contest arises from the fact that the Delaware claim certain improvements on land near Bartlesville and on some of the property there are good oil wells. The oil development they hold as improvements and want their lands outside the principal segregation line and close to the oil fields instead of the flat hills and low grade land that will constitute the public domain. The commission decided not to change their previous plan.

### NEEDS NEW JAIL

Grand Jury Thinks Improvements Are Badly Needed.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—The grand jury submitted its final report to Judge Burford today. According to the report the county jail is being well conducted and is in as good a condition as could be expected, considering prevailing conditions. The food served the prisoners is reported to be wholesome and there is but very little complaint on the part of the prisoners, says the Leader.

The jury recommends that a new fence be built around the jail and states that the way of taking the prisoners out of the jail is not safe and that they recommend that substantial fences of a better kind be placed on the south door of the jail. A strong door is also needed at the north end of the jail.

The jury recommends that an alarm bell be purchased, that the guards to the outer windows are not of a proper kind. "Logan county is in need of a new county building," says the report. "The building is wholly inadequate for the purposes for which it is required."

### DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Chamber of Commerce at Oklahoma City Will Entertain the Delegate.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—The Chamber of Commerce of Oklahoma City has arranged to entertain Hon. B. S. McGuire, delegate to congress, during the holidays. They have invited him for a discussion of affairs pertaining to the federal building, for the erection of which the city is trying to secure an appropriation from congress.

### Round Trip to Kingfisher.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—States Marshal Bill Fossett, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Dick Miller, his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Lou Fossett and a party of young ladies returned last evening from a seventy-mile horse back ride—the round trip to Kingfisher.

## RICHEST ORE DISCOVERED

Tract South of Perry Said to Contain Mineral.

### ASSAY PROVES ITS VALUE

It Is Said to Be the Richest in Silver and Copper.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—Jim Hale, the Republican committeeman from Pawnee, and Editor Gray of the Pawnee Times-Democrat were in the city recently and told of what they claim is the richest mineral discovery yet made in Oklahoma. The Holmes Big Four Mining company made the find on their 60-acre holding southeast of Perry. The ore is rich in both silver and copper, assaying from \$11 to \$24 per ton, according to reliable assays.

Ore was first discovered on this land, which lies in Rock township, in Payne county, on the place owned by a Mr. Elgin, by a man named Adams. It was some time before it interested any one in the discovery, but finally an old miner named Holmes, residing at Pawnee, decided to visit the place. When he returned he was even more enthusiastic over the prospects than was Mr. Adams. Yet it was some time before he could interest any one with money in the proposition. Finally he persuaded Mr. J. P. Shepard, who is a very conservative man, to drive with him to the place. Some of the ore was taken by Mr. Shepard and sent to Stillwater, where it was assayed and proved to be rich in silver and copper. Shepard returned and leased three quarter sections of the land and a company composed of himself, his son-in-law Frank Hudson, Holmes and O. M. Lancaster, postmaster at Pawnee and former county treasurer.

They begin to push the prospecting with a view of determining the extent of the ore vein. They sent three hundred pounds of ore to a Kansas City assayer and received flattering returns. They then went deeper, sinking three holes, and concerning the result Mr. Shepard says: "Last Friday, the 11th instant, a new lead of ore on a lower level was struck which appeared to be much richer than even formerly. Three different kinds were sent to Dr. J. P. McNeil of Kansas City, one of the most noted and reliable assayers west of New York, who rendered the following report on same:

"One sample sent run, silver, \$17.75; copper, \$5.50; per ton, \$23.25."

"One sample ran, silver, \$18.02; copper, \$5.28; per ton, \$23.30."

"One sample sent run, silver, \$18.24; copper, \$4.83; per ton, \$23.07."

"This mine is located on deeded land, with three quarter sections leased by this company lying side by side running east and west through the entire length, in which good ore is now being developed in three different places, one-quarter to one-half mile apart on the lead. The quality is unquestionable and the quantity increasing. This is every evidence of more of this ore in the same vicinity."

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### BALED HAY BURNS

Fire Caught and Could Not Be Checked.

Blackwell, O. T., Dec. 24.—C. Blackwell is the owner of about twenty-five acres of baled hay, caused by a fire in his hay field on his farm five miles west of this city, says the News.

The fire was first discovered by some neighbors. In the way of smoke coming out of a small stack of loose hay near the house, and before they could get to it, the blaze had broken out and was burning the stubble and old hay on the ground around the stack when they arrived. They fought the fire in good shape to keep it away from the other stack of baled hay, but could not get it out before the blaze reached the stack, thus burning about twenty-five tons of new baled hay.

It is not known how the small stack caught fire, unless it was the accidental dropping of a match in the stack by some of the men, and a ground mouse chewing on it made it ignite, because the flame was smothered in the center of the stack for a good while.

### CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER

S. A. Robinson Found Guilty of Killing Smith Brown.

Anadarko, O. T., Dec. 24.—S. A. Robinson, who shot and killed Smith Brown in a saloon here in Anadarko in September, 1902, was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree here today. Smith Brown was formerly in the saloon business in Mountain View, O. T., and was regarded as a very loose character on account of his harboring and maintaining a "high mill" joint in this city. A friend of Robinson's was victimized out of \$10 in Brown's dive and Robinson insisted that Brown pay the money back. Brown asked Robinson to advance him the necessary money, stating that he would repay him in a few days. Brown did not make good, which resulted in bad blood between the two and finally a quarrel in which Brown started to pull a gun. Robinson pulled his gun first and shot Brown, killing him instantly. Robinson's plea was self defense. He came to Anadarko from El Reno in August, 1902.

### WILL HELP MILITIA

Military Division Headquarters Will Give Impetus to Guards.

Oklahoma City, O. T., Dec. 24.—Secretary Theoburn of the territorial board of agriculture, who is also captain of the battery, an Oklahoma City military organization, was in the city a few hours yesterday morning while on his way to Guthrie from attending a farmers' institute at Anadarko. Captain Theoburn expressed great satisfaction over the recent location of the headquarters of a military division of the United States army at Oklahoma City. Speaking of the matter, he said:

"It is a place of good fortune, not only for Oklahoma City, but for the territory. For one thing, it would seem to indicate that the general staff regards with favor the proposition to hold autumn maneuvers at Fort Sill. That such maneuvers will be held under the direction of the division commander goes without saying, and if the autumn maneuvers are to be held on the Fort Sill reservation and the Wichita mountain forest reserve, it will probably mean the expenditure of a large sum for

the improvement and upbuilding of the post at Fort Sill.

"The Oklahoma National guard will be benefited also, as this will make not only possible but probable the early organization of a lyceum for the instruction of officers which will probably meet three or four times each year at this place. The presence of twelve or fifteen staff officers, each one of whom is especially proficient in some one particular arm of the service or in the duties of one of the staff corps, mean that sufficient lecturers for such a lyceum will not be wanting.

"The two local military organizations will, of course, be benefited indirectly. These organizations have been greatly in need of a permanent armory and some steps in this direction should be taken before long. Oklahoma City certainly has the opportunity to attract the interest and home National guard, and as they become good will of every officer in the Oklahoma more numerous this is a matter that should not be overlooked.

"Such a lyceum as I have mentioned has been maintained in Denver by the officers of the Colorado National guard for a number of years, the lecturers being given largely by staff officers connected with the headquarters of the Department of the Colorado and also by officers from Fort Logan, and the effect of the instruction given in that lyceum is very apparent in the expedition and orderly manner with which Colorado was enabled to place her first volunteers in the field in the Spanish-American war. "The militia system of the country is being thoroughly overhauled and reorganized as the result of the enactment of the new national military law and, in consequence, is becoming much more effective as the national system of discipline among the men and a fair degree of professional qualifications among the officers will soon result from the reform thus begun.

"The National Guard of Oklahoma is composed of nearly a thousand representative young men whose friendship Oklahoma City should strive to gain and hold."

### WILL BRING SUIT

Those Who Gave Bonus Notes Must Settle Them.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—The Fort Smith and Western notes have been turned over to Dale and Elmer, for collection and they say that although they regret that they will be compelled to take some action, they will bring suit against each holder of a note who has not either paid or returned the note at the expiration of fifteen days, says the Leader.

The following announcements have been printed and are being mailed to the subscribers of the notes:

"Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24, 1903. "Dear Sir: Your Fort Smith and Western bonus note has been placed in our hands for immediate collection with instructions to bring suit thereon if not paid or returned for early payment, within fifteen days from this date. You gave your note payable when this railroad was in operation to the city of Guthrie, and your promise became due on September 20, 1903. We trust you will not require us to bring suit to enforce your promise. Lost and interest of out of court added if suit is brought. Yours truly,

"DALE & BIERER, Attorneys."

### PROTEST AGAINST LEVY

Taxpayers Object to Relieving Guarantors of Their Burden.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—A well attended and interesting meeting of the taxpayers of Guthrie was held in the council chamber of the city hall. The purpose of the meeting was the discussion of the advisability of relieving collection of the \$1 mill tax levied for the Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma railroad, being the amount which the guarantors of the right of way fund asked of the city council a few weeks ago to relieve them.

A motion that it was the sense of those gathered that steps should be taken to resist the tax, carried unanimously.

Upon motion of Captain Twambley the meeting adjourned to meet again next Monday night to hear the reports of the committees.

### WAS BADLY BURNED

He Tried to Extinguish a Gasoline Burner.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—Mr. Jim Fletcher, employed at the Cotton Blossom bar on West Main street, Shawnee, was badly burned yesterday morning in attempting to extinguish a gasoline burner that accidentally caught fire. When he got to the physician the skin from his head, neck and arms had peeled off. It is very surprising that he did not inhale any of the fumes. Fletcher is a young man of powerful physique and will undoubtedly recover.

### SMITH IS IN JAIL

Nine Indictments Were Returned by the Grand Jury.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—Charles Smith, who was tried in the district court for forgery, was sentenced yesterday to one year imprisonment in the federal jail. Nine indictments were returned by the grand jury, three of which were against Charles Dupont, J. S. Rutledge and Jas. Williams, all charged with perjury.

### BISHOP M'CABE'S VISIT

Will Officiate at Laying the Cornerstone for a Church.

Oklahoma City, O. T., Dec. 24.—Bishop Charles M'Cabe, D. D., D. L. D., of the Methodist Episcopal church, will visit Oklahoma City next month. He will officiate at that time at the corner stone laying for the magnificent new church now under construction for the First Methodist congregation, says the Times-Journal.

Bishop M'Cabe is a world renowned ecclesiastic, familiarly and lovingly known as "Captain M'Cabe" before his election to the bishopric. He has for years secretary of the church extension society, and as such, telegraphed an infidel convention back in the '80s. "We Methodists, alone, are building two churches every day," and thus inspired the noted gospel song, "We are Building Two a Day." Later he was missionary secretary, from which position he was taken by his election to the Episcopal bench.

A world traveler, a peacemaker, a fearless organizer, an eloquent orator, a brilliant wit, a magnetic personality and a wealth of tenderness combine to make Bishop M'Cabe a most notable personage.

At present he is undergoing treatment for his eyes, and can ill afford the time for a visit here. But his personal friends here for Dr. Day and the wonderful

### REWARD HAS BEEN PAID

Death of Samuel and William Martin Earns Money.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—A reward of \$25 was paid to Warren Bennett, Wiley



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growth of Oklahoma City have led him to re-arrange his time so as to visit us on January 28.

In respect to this visit, Dr. Day said: "I am happy to announce Bishop M'Cabe's visit. It will be an event in our city's history. I know of no friendly face I would rather see than his and I am sure all our people, of every name, will fall in love with him. I would go a hundred miles to hear him sing, and I would go, as I have gone, double that distance to hear him speak. He is, in my judgment, the most inspirational of all Methodist leaders. We need him, and it compels us as highly that he rearrange his plans to reach us."

The detailed program will be announced later.

### JAIL IS FULL

Federal Accommodations Have About Been Exhausted.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—The federal jail here now has about as many prisoners as it can accommodate, the number reaching 100 today. Mrs. Fairbanks, the woman prisoner from Lawton, was one of today's arrivals, confined to await the action of the grand jury. Deputy Wiley Haines brought in Henry McCutish, who pleaded guilty to having stolen money from a traveler's pocket, and Deputy Bill Jackson brought in Santoliz Alonzo and Eugene Bush charged with selling liquor to the Indians.

### MAINTAINS HIS INNOCENCE

Katy Train Robber Has Been Pardoned by President.

Vinita, I. T., Dec. 24.—Alfred H. Chaney, who lived at Waggoner, I. T., ten or twelve years ago, has returned to Waggoner free. Chaney was convicted in Judge Parker's court in Fort Smith, Ark., in 1883, and sent to the penitentiary to serve a twenty-four years' sentence on the charge of being mixed up in the robbery of a Missouri, Kansas and Texas train at Pryor Creek, I. T. Chaney was first sent to prison in New York, but afterward was transferred to Atlanta, Ga., where President Roosevelt pardoned him. He still maintains his innocence of the Katy robbery.

### CASTORIA

Bears the Signature of *Dr. H. H. Fletcher*

HE SOLD THREE PINTS

Sentenced to Sixty Days in Jail and One Hundred Dollar Fine.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—There was filed in the supreme court here today an appeal from the federal court of Comanche county in which Tom Manning appeals. Manning was arrested and convicted for selling one pint of beer, one pint of whiskey and one pint of alcohol to an Indian named Ned E. Bruce, and was sentenced to serve sixty days in the federal jail at Guthrie and to pay a fine of \$100. Pleading his appeal he gave bond for \$500.

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Haines and William Majors, deputy United States marshals in the Osage reservation, today for the death of Samuel and William Martin, outlaws, who were killed by these officers in a fight seven miles southwest of Pawhuska August 1, Clarence Simmons, a companion of the Martins, escaped. A reward of \$500 had been offered for the three. Haines was shot in the shoulder and badly wounded. The desperadoes were known to have committed a number of robberies and murders.

### THIEVES ENTER A STORE

They Secure Silks to Much Value and Some Cash.

Norman, O. T., Dec. 24.—Thieves entered the large dry goods store of S. K. McCall & Co. last night after midnight and secured a large amount of fine silks and other valuables and \$20 in cash. Entrance was gained to the store by prying open a window in the rear end. The silks taken were valued at from \$200 to \$300. This is one of the biggest and boldest jobs of thieves that has occurred here for years. No clue has been obtained as to who the thieves were.

### Two Hundred Indictments.

Wagoner, I. T., Dec. 24.—The grand jury that has been in session here for the last week completed its work and was discharged by Judge Raymond yesterday. Two hundred indictments were found at the sitting. Judge Raymond has sentenced several for selling whiskey. The terms range from one year up to five, and they go to Leavenworth, Kan., to serve the time.

### Principal at El Reno.

El Reno, O. T., Dec. 24.—Professor Rakestraw has been selected by the school board to fill the position of principal of the schools recently vacated by Professor Carter, who will soon leave for the Philippines to accept a government position. Professor Rakestraw is well known in this city and the board should congratulate themselves on being able to secure his services.

### Filed Amended Articles.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—The Home Relief association of Oklahoma City has filed amended articles of incorporation, changing somewhat the manner of the payment of policies.

Notarial commissions were issued to L. H. Bloom of El Reno, E. T. Tucker of Guthrie and G. H. Armstrong of Woodward.

### In County Seat Towns.

Perry, O. T., Dec. 24.—The Commercial club is arranging to take action in the matter of locating the County High school in this city. The territorial secretary of public instruction recommends that the county high schools be located in county seat towns. The club will take action in the matter at once and see to its speedy erection in Perry.

### On First Tuesday in January.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—Captain R. P. Hegler, clerk of the supreme court, announced today that the January term of

court would convene on the first Tuesday of the month, January 5, and that oral arguments would begin on the Thursday following.

### No Rain for Two Months.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 24.—A generous rain began falling here yesterday about daylight and fell all day. It is doing a great deal of good to the wheat and cattle interests. This is the first rain in about three months.

### Wagoner, I. T., Dec. 24.—Susie Puget,

while playing with a gun that "wasn't loaded" on G. D. Sleeper's farm near here, was accidentally shot in the face. The wound is dangerous.

### DEAD OR ALIVE

Rumor That Ben Cravens Was in Town Aroused Activity